

Amendment No. 1 to SB2469

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by deleting all language below the caption and by substituting instead the following:

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee being a Sovereign State established a State government by contract approved by its citizens, being the Constitution of Tennessee, invoked by citizens' honor in February 1796, binding themselves and their posterity in perpetuity, irrevocably to the terms and conditions set forth in the Constitution of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee subsequently and voluntarily entered into the Federal government of the United States of America, creating a system of dual sovereignty by contract with fifteen (15) Sovereign States, known as the Constitution of the United States of America, also invoked in honor in June 1796, binding themselves and their posterity in perpetuity, on their honor, irrevocably, to the terms and conditions set forth in the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Sovereign State of Tennessee by contract with those fifteen (15) Sovereign States and all subsequent States accepting the terms and conditions of the contract, retained all authority and governing powers not specifically delegated in the Enumerated Powers to the United States Government, regarding the citizens of Tennessee, as did all the other fifteen (15) States and subsequent States retain authority and governing power for their Sovereign States and citizens; and

WHEREAS, the language of the American people has proven by history to be in constant transition, century by century, eroding original intent and spirit of our State and Federal founding documents by applying in error contemporary terms and definitions

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that differ in meaning, perception, and focus from the original Founders of the State of Tennessee and the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, historically accurate terms and definitions are vital to preserve and protect in perpetuity, from century to century, ad infinitum; and

WHEREAS, terms and definitions employed from our epoch of 1775 to 1828 alone are the foundation of our contracts establishing dual sovereignty between the citizens of Tennessee in the Constitution of Tennessee and delegated sovereignty in the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the first American national dictionary of American terms and definitions published and gaining national approval, use, and acceptance was Noah Webster's Dictionary first published in 1828, fully capturing our epoch of 1775 to 1828 when the Founding Fathers of the State of Tennessee and the Federal Government documented their vision, intent, and purposes; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 1, is amended by adding Sections 2 through 7 of this act as a new chapter.

SECTION 2. This chapter shall be known as and may be cited as the "Historic Terms and Definitions Preservation Act".

SECTION 3. The Webster dictionary of 1828 shall be the sole official dictionary of this state used to determine the intent, spirit, and letter of all documents originated by the founding fathers of this state and the United States.

SECTION 4. The senate judiciary committee shall determine whether a violation of this chapter by any public employee or public official has occurred and whether irreparable harm has resulted.

SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application of any provision of this act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end, the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.